



RURAL COMMUNITIES SECTOR TELEBRIEFING

County of San Diego

Last Updated: 06/17/2021



Agenda

- Welcome & Announcements
- Reopening Updates
- Emergency Rent and Utilities Assistance Program Presentation
- COVID-19 & Vaccines
- Q & A
- Closing

Our Speakers



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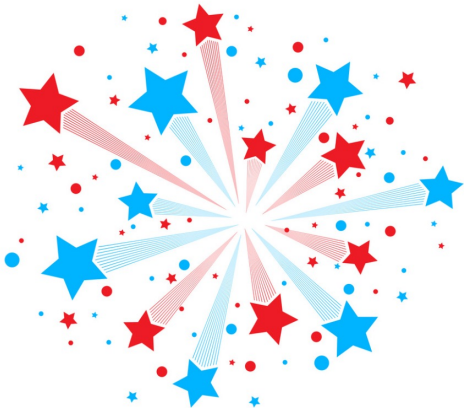
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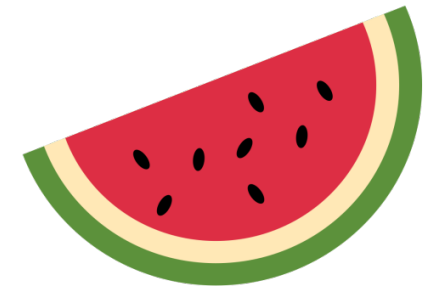
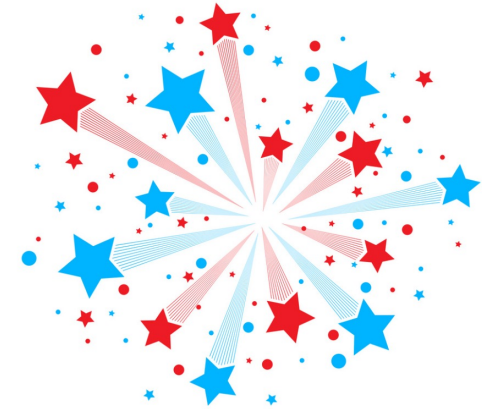


Community-Based/Rural Telebriefings: 1st and 3rd Fridays

Next telebriefing: July 2, 2021 | 1pm-2pm



JULY 2021						
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Welcome to the Rural Communities Telebriefing



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A few reminders before we begin:



This telebriefing is
being recorded.



Your lines are muted



Please enter your
questions in the Q&A
Box and your comments
in the chat box.

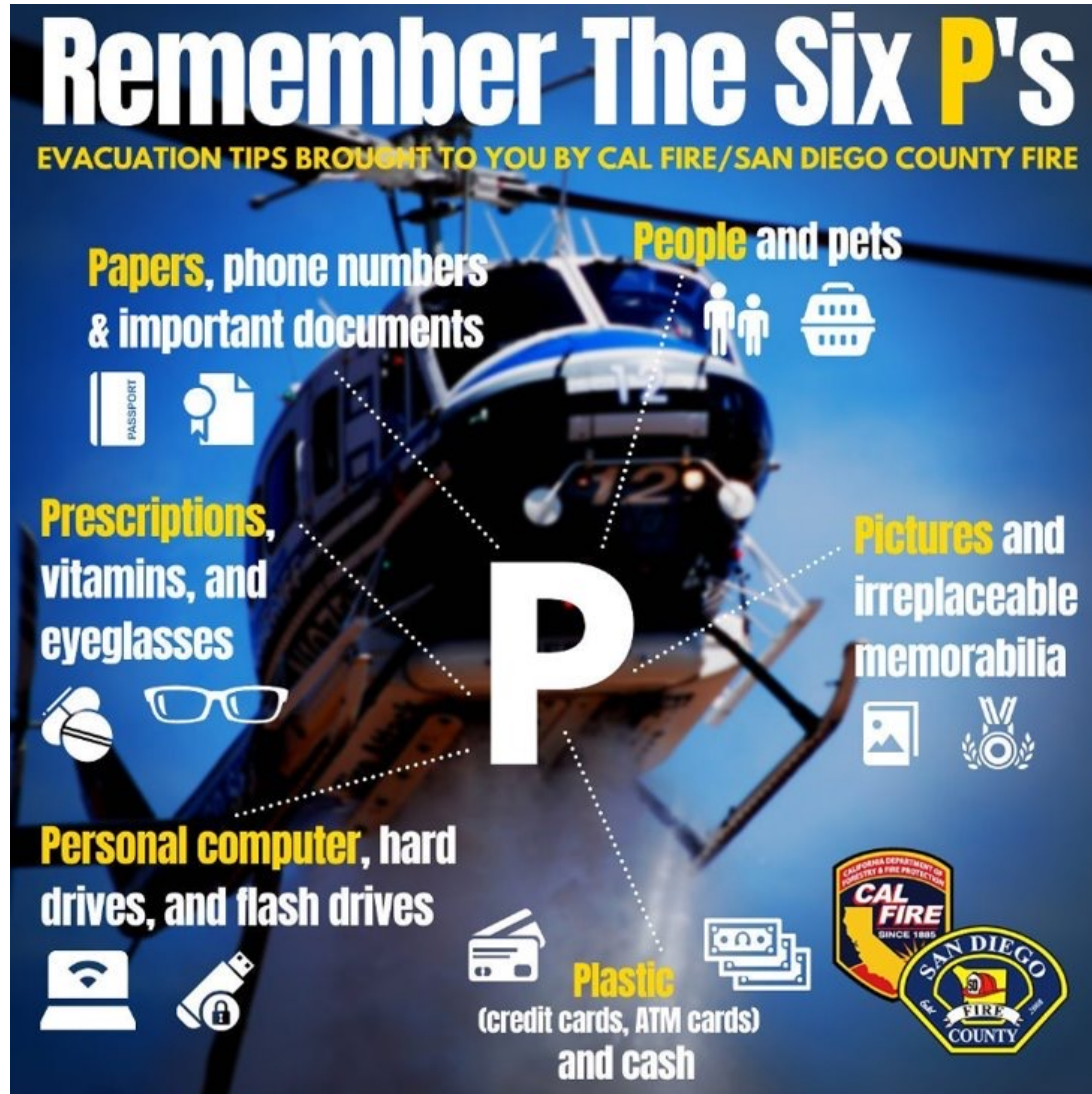


You can email us at:
[COVID-CBO-
FAITH@sdcounty.ca.gov](mailto:COVID-CBO-FAITH@sdcounty.ca.gov)



ANNOUNCEMENTS





Preparing for Wildfires in San Diego County

- Make sure your family and home are prepared
- Be ready to evacuate
- Remember to grab the Six P's
- For more information, visit readyforwildfire.org



County Opens More Cool Zones in Rural Areas

Nine cool zones are now open in [County libraries and community centers](#), some of which include extended and weekend hours.

Health officials recommend people do the following to avoid overheating:

- If available, stay in an air-conditioned area during the hottest hours of the day
- Wear light, loose-fitting clothing
- Drink plenty of water (avoid alcohol and sugary drinks) and don't wait until you are thirsty
- Take cool showers
- Never leave a child, elderly person, or pet unattended in a car
- Keep [pets cool in hot weather](#)
- Avoid unnecessary hard work or activities outside during the hottest part of the day
- Avoid unnecessary sun exposure and wear a wide-brim hat if you need to be in the sun
- Avoid using the oven to cook



VACCINATION EVENTS WITH PADRES



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- **Sat., June 26**
Game Day Vaccination Event



**Your Shot to Win
Padres Tickets**

Get a COVID-19 vaccine
at a County mobile clinic
and be entered in a drawing
to win two tickets to a
San Diego Padres game.

coronavirus-sd.com/vaccine





CDPH Urges Public to Report Vaccine Incentive Scammers

Potential Scams Should be Reported
to rumors@cdph.ca.gov or 1-833-993-3873

TEMPORARY EMERGENCY CHILDCARE



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Temporary Emergency Child Care 2021

Emergency subsidized childcare services for children 0-12 years of age are now available for essential workers and at-risk children and families.

Services are temporary and can only be provided until June 30th, 2022.

[Click here to learn more](#)



REOPENING UPDATES

GARY JOHNSTON
*CHIEF RESILIENCE OFFICER
COUNTY COVID-19 RESPONSE INCIDENT COMMANDER
COVID-19 REOPENING LEAD*





California is
now open



Everyday life will feel a lot
like before COVID-19



**most places
will be open**

(with some local
and state event and
masking guidance)



View the full social media toolkit [here](#)



Beyond the Blueprint – What Will California Look Like After June 15?

Everyday Life

California plans to fully reopen the economy on June 15¹. Everyday life will feel a lot like before COVID-19. Restaurants, shopping malls, movie theaters, and most everyday places² will be open as normal with no capacity limits or social distancing required. Of course, anyone can wear a mask anytime they'd like, especially around children and others who are vulnerable or not yet eligible for vaccination.

All Californians will continue to follow [state masking guidelines](#) as well as state and [CDC travel guidelines](#).



BEYOND THE BLUEPRINT



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Mega Events

Some public health measures will remain for mega events, which include 5,000+ people indoors or 10,000+ outdoors. Think concerts, sporting events, festivals, and conventions. Mega events are high risk for spreading COVID-19 because they attract people from around the world, and people gather in crowds.

Indoor mega event attendees will be required to confirm proof of vaccination or negative COVID-19 status to attend. Outdoor mega event attendees will be strongly encouraged to do so.



What's Next?

California will keep a close eye on COVID-19 vaccination and infection rates over the summer and keep these guidelines in place until at least October 1, 2021.

More Information

Visit this document
on the CDPH website





GUIDANCE FOR THE USE OF FACE COVERINGS - EFFECTIVE JUNE 15, 2021

Masks are **not required for fully vaccinated individuals**, **except** in the following settings where masks are required for everyone, regardless of vaccination status:



On public transit (examples: airplanes, ships, ferries, trains, subways, buses, taxis, and ride-shares) and in transportation hubs (examples: airport, bus terminal, marina, train station, seaport or other port, subway station, or any other area that provides transportation)



Indoors in K-12 schools, childcare and other youth settings.

- Note: This may change as updated K-12 schools guidance is forthcoming, pending updates for K-12 operational guidance from the CDC.



Healthcare settings (including long term care facilities)



Homeless shelters, emergency shelters and cooling centers



State and local correctional facilities and detention centers



TAKES EFFECT ON JUNE 15, 2021

- People who are **NOT** fully vaccinated must wear masks in all indoor public settings (***examples: retail, restaurants, theaters, family entertainment centers, meetings, state and local government offices serving the public***).
- ***The following individuals are exempt from wearing masks at all times:***
 - ***Persons younger than two years old. Very young children must not wear a mask because of the risk of suffocation.***
 - ***Persons with a medical condition, mental health condition, or disability that prevents wearing a mask.***
 - ***Persons who are hearing impaired, or communicating with a person who is hearing impaired, where the ability to see the mouth is essential for communication.***
 - ***Persons for whom wearing a mask would create a risk to the person related to their work, as determined by local, state, or federal regulators or workplace safety guidelines.***

TOOK EFFECT ON JUNE 15, 2021

- Businesses and Venues may ask for vaccination status and may also require masks
- People cannot be denied service for wearing a mask
- Some people are exempt from wearing a mask
 - Children younger than 2 years old
 - People with certain medical conditions



FACE COVERING SIGNAGE



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ALL CUSTOMERS:

Per California Department of Public Health guidelines, **masks are not required if you are fully vaccinated.**

If you're not vaccinated, you need to wear a mask.



To find a vaccination location, visit:
coronavirus-sd.com/vaccine



MASKS REQUIRED AT THIS FACILITY.



Per California Department of Public Health guidelines, masks are required in K-12 schools, childcare and other youth settings, **regardless of vaccination status.**

To find a vaccination location, visit:
coronavirus-sd.com/vaccine



[Click here to view all face covering signage](#)



- ***Delay travel until you are fully vaccinated!***
- ***If you are NOT vaccinated but choose to travel, get tested before and after***
- ***Always wear a mask on public transportation, regardless of your vaccination status***





- The Occupational Safety and Health Standards Board adopted the revised Emergency Temporary Standards on June 17th
- Employers may allow fully vaccinated employees not to wear face coverings indoors, following the CDPH face covering guidance
- Physical distancing and barriers are not required, regardless of employee vaccination status, except when there is a major outbreak
- More information on the revised COVID-19 Prevention Emergency Temporary Standards can be found [here](#)





COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO COVID-19 EMERGENCY RENT AND UTILITIES ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (ERAP)



EMERGENCY RENT AND UTILITIES ASSISTANCE PROGRAM OVERVIEW



What is the Emergency Rental and Utilities Assistance Program (ERAP)?

ERAP helps eligible households in qualifying areas who have been financially impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. The program provides payment assistance for renters who need help with rent and utilities.

Who can apply?

- Tenants and landlords can apply
- Applicants must live in San Diego County but **NOT** in the cities of San Diego or Chula Vista
 - City of San Diego residents can visit [this website](#) for rental assistance information
 - City of Chula Vista residents can visit [this website](#) for rental assistance information

Must meet the eligibility criteria:

- Renter: The household must have an obligation to pay rent
- Household has experienced a financial hardship directly or indirectly from the COVID-19 pandemic
- Household is at risk of experiencing homelessness or housing instability
- Eligible income (see next slide)

ELIGIBILITY



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Eligible Income

Number of People in Household	Income equal to or less than the following
1	\$67,900
2	\$77,600
3	\$87,300
4	\$97,000
5	\$104,800
6	\$112,550
7	\$120,300
8	\$128,050

Definitions

- **Rent & utility arrears:** money that is past due to your landlord or utility providers
 - Rent and utilities past due from April 2020 to March 2021
- **Prospective rent:** rent that will be due in the future (April, May, & June 2021)
- **Financial hardship:** can be **ANY** of the following within a household:
 - Experienced a financial hardship directly or indirectly related to COVID-19
 - Household is at risk of experiencing homelessness or housing instability
 - Household has qualified for unemployment benefits

RENT: AWARD AMOUNT



If the Landlord Participates

	Paid Directly to the Landlord	Payment Forgiven by Landlord
Past Due Rent (April 2020– March 2021)	80%	20%
Future Rent (April 2021– June 2021)	25%	N/A

If the Landlord Declines to Participate

	Paid to the Tenant
Past Due Rent (April 2020– March 2021)	25%
Future Rent (April 2021– June 2021)	25%



There is a Landlord Team that will support tenants and advocate for landlords to participate in the program.

Call **858-694-4801** or email

eraplantlordquestions.hhsa@sdcounty.ca.gov

for assistance

UTILITIES: AWARD AMOUNT



Utilities

	Paid Directly to the Utility Provider
Past Due Utilities (April 2020– March 2021)	100%

- Utilities include:
 - Water
 - Gas
 - Electric
 - Sewer
 - Trash Removal
- Internet may be covered on a case-by-case basis

DOCUMENTATION & ELIGIBILITY



Applicants only need to provide **ONE** of the documents listed for each eligibility criteria.

[Eligibility and Documentation Checklist](#)

Eligibility Criteria	Documentation Accepted
Verification of Identity <i>(Applicants must provide at least one of the options listed)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• A copy of any government-issued ID• Government issued birth certificate• Employment identification card• Marriage license/certificate or certified divorce decree• Current school records or certificate granting institution
Jurisdiction <i>(Applicants must provide at least one of the options listed)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Utility bill• Current tenant lease or other form of rental agreement• Government-issued ID with address of rental unit
Household Income is at or below 80% AMI <i>(Applicants must provide all household earned and/or unearned income. Paystubs should reflect a date no earlier than February 1, 2021. SSI/SSA benefit letters dated January 1, 2021 are accepted.)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Pay stubs for all household members working• Household's 2020 tax return or Form W-2• Unemployment verification• CalWORKs benefit letter• Social Security benefit letter• Other unearned income documents

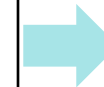
DOCUMENTATION & ELIGIBILITY



Eligibility Criteria	Documentation Accepted
Renter <i>(Applicants must provide at least one of the verifications listed)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lease• Other written form of rental agreement• Rent receipt/rent ledger• Written attestation from landlord
Qualified for unemployment benefits	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Unemployment documentation
Financial hardship due to COVID-19	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Self-Certification in application by selecting an option
Household at risk of experiencing homelessness or housing instability <i>(Applicants must provide at least one of the verifications listed)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Past due utility or rental bill• Eviction notice• Documents or self-attestation for unhealthy or unsafe living conditions such as insect and or vermin infestation, non-function utilities such as water, gas, or electricity, and fire hazard.• Self-Attestation that the family is experiencing housing instability challenges such as being cost burdened as household is spending the majority of household income on housing, having trouble paying rent, moving frequently, or overcrowding.



Applicants only need to provide **ONE of the documents listed for each eligibility criteria.**



Self-Attestation: A statement that explains the applicant's current situation.

ASSISTANCE IS AVAILABLE



Language

The [application portal](#) and phone assistance are available in 6 different languages: English, Spanish, Tagalog, Arabic, Mandarin, Vietnamese



Internet Access & Phone Representatives

There are phone representatives who can help complete the application if someone does not have internet access.



Landlord Team

There is a team that will help work with landlords and advocate for them to participate in the program.



Helpful Resources

[Frequently Asked Questions](#)
[Application Verification Checklist](#)
[How-To Register Video](#)
[How-To Apply Video](#)

(858) 694-4801

Hours: Monday - Friday 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

OUTREACH RESOURCES



County Emergency Rent & Utility Assistance

Have you been financially impacted by COVID-19?

Are you behind on rent and/or utility payments?



Grant dollars available for eligible renters.

Application period has been extended until funding no longer available.



Serving the entire San Diego region except for the cities of San Diego and Chula Vista. Visit [SDHCD.org](https://sdhcd.org) to apply.

San Diego and Chula Vista residents: visit ERAPSanDiego.org.

Award amounts are subject to landlord and utility company participation. Visit [SDHCD.org](https://sdhcd.org) for details.

This project is being supported, in whole or in part, by federal award number ERAG043 awarded to the County of San Diego by the U.S. Department of the Treasury.

- [Outreach Toolkit](#)
- Hard copies of flyers and mailers are available for distribution
 - To request, email Covid-CBO-Faith@sdcounty.ca.gov
- **Resources are available in 9 different languages:** English, Spanish, Arabic, Farsi, Mandarin, Somali, Swahili, Tagalog, and Vietnamese
- [Video: How-To Register](#)
- [Video: How-To Apply](#)

INFORMATIONAL WEBINARS



Landlord Webinar

Every Thursday from
9am-10am



Utilities Webinar

For Utility Representatives

Every 1st and 3rd Tuesday of
the month from 2pm-3pm

For information about joining these webinars, visit the
[COVID-19 Emergency Rent and Utilities Assistance
Program Website](#)

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS



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1.) What if I don't have a good relationship with my landlord?

- There is a team that will help work with landlords and advocate for them to participate in the program.

2.) Who can I contact if I have questions or difficulty filling out the application?

- You can call 858-694-4801 and the team will help walk you through the application and answer questions.

3.) What do applicants need to know about immigration status?

- Anyone can apply, regardless of immigration status. The application does not ask for a social security number.

4.) As a community-based organization, can we help people navigate the application process while on the phone?

- Yes. The ERAP team will work together with organizations and individuals to answer questions and walk through the process together.

5.) Can landlords apply on behalf of the tenant?

- Yes. Landlords can apply on behalf of the tenant, but the tenant must co-sign. Tenants can co-sign through the application portal or by writing that they acknowledge the application provided by the landlord.



[Click here to view additional frequently asked questions](#)

COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO EMERGENCY RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM



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Don't delay, apply today!



Rent and utilities assistance is available for San Diego County residents financially impacted by COVID-19.

Tenants and landlords may apply.

www.SDHCD.org

or call [858-694-4801](tel:858-694-4801) Mon-Fri 8:00am – 5:00pm

KEY RESOURCES



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**Housing & Community
Development Services (HCDS)**
website: <http://www.sdhcd.org/>



Outreach Toolkit:
<https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/sdhcd/Outreach-Kit/>



How-To Videos:
[How-To Register Video](#)
[How-To Apply Video](#)



Phone Number: 858-694-4801



Send Landlord Questions to:
eraplantlordquestions@sdcounty.ca.gov



MEDICAL UPDATES

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County of San Diego COVID-19 Vaccination Dashboard

Eligible Population: 2,802,581 San Diegans

San Diego County Residents Vaccinated with At Least One Dose

2,123,647

75.8% 

San Diego County Residents Fully Vaccinated

1,776,647

63.4% 

Updated 6/17/21

DELTA VARIANT



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- The Delta variant now accounts for 10% of new cases in the United States
- The CDC also declared the Delta variant a “variant of concern”
 - [Click here](#) to view all CDC variants of concern & definitions

County of San Diego
2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19)
Summary of Variant Cases*

Data are preliminary and subject to change

Data through 6/15/2021, updated 6/16/2021 8:00 AM



	B.1.1.7		B.1.427		B.1.429		P.1	
Location First Detected	U.K.		California		California		Brazil	
WHO Label	Alpha		Epsilon		Epsilon		Gamma	
Total Confirmed ¹ Cases	1,994		492		869		306	
Onset Date Range [†]	11/18/20-6/2/21		6/12/20-4/29/21		10/8/20-5/13/21		9/20/20-6/2/21	
Hospitalizations	31	1.6%	7	1.4%	18	2.1%	0	0.0%
Deaths	2	0.1%	2	0.4%	4	0.5%	2	0.7%

[Click here to view a summary of variant cases in San Diego County](#)

EARLY THERAPY FOR COVID-19 AVAILABLE AT NO COST



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MONOCLONAL ANTIBODY THERAPY IS AVAILABLE!

- Monoclonal antibodies may help people with mild or moderate COVID-19 who are at high risk of progressing to severe COVID-19 and/or hospitalization by preventing them from getting sicker and/or hospitalized due to COVID-19
- Ideally, the potentially lifesaving treatment is received **as soon as possible** of COVID-19 symptom onset

WHO MAY RECEIVE THIS THERAPY?

- People who have a positive test for COVID-19 and have mild to moderate symptoms, **AND**
- Have had COVID-19 symptoms for less than 10 days, **AND**
- Are at least 12 years old, **AND**
- Are at [high-risk](#) of getting very sick from COVID-19
 - Examples include: 65 years of age or older, obese, pregnant, diabetes, heart disease, and high blood pressure



MONOCLONAL ANTIBODY REGIONAL CENTER (MARC)



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OPEN TO TREAT COVID+ PATIENTS NOW!

- Patients may self-refer for early COVID-19 therapy
- If you think you qualify, call **(619) 685-2500** for an appointment or if you have questions
- You are also encouraged to talk to your doctor or health provider to see if you qualify
- Accepting all medically eligible patients, **regardless of** health insurance or immigration status
- For [patient flyers](#) and additional information visit:
www.sandiegocounty.gov/COVIDHealthProfessionals

**NEW LOCATION! MARC at
Palomar Health/Pomerado Pavilion**
[15611 Pomerado Road, Ste 545](#)
[Poway, 92064](#)

Open 7 days a week
8:00 am to 8:00 pm

MARC at San Ysidro Health
[391 Oxford Street](#)
[Chula Vista, 91911](#)

Open 7 days a week
8:00 am to 5:00 pm



CLOSING





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7 DAYS A WEEK 24 HOURS A DAY**

**(888) 724 - 7240
TDD/TTY DIAL 711**



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WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!



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I am interested in providing feedback about the Community-Based Organizations and Rural Communities Sector.

Strongly Disagree Strongly Agree

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU

The first 100 respondents from the Community and Faith-Based Organization Sectors who fill out the feedback form completely will receive a free *Live Well San Diego* face covering & hand sanitizer!

Contact information MUST be provided at the end of the feedback form to receive these items.

[Click here to provide feedback about the COVID-19 CBO & Rural Communities Sector](#)

The Community-Based Organizations and Rural Communities Sector team would like to hear from you about the work we have done together throughout the COVID-19 response and how we can continue moving forward as a learning community. **We kindly ask you to please take 5-10 minutes to complete the feedback form listed above.**



STAY CONNECTED!

- For additional questions and resources, please email:

Covid-CBO-Faith@sdcounty.ca.gov

- [Rural Communities Webpage](#)

- [Sign up for email updates](#)

